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Mr. Max Hugel Deputy Director for Administration Central Intelligence Agency Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Hugel:

This is in further response to your letter of March 5, 1981, concerning the open-market procurement of a Class IV (large) sedan for use by the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

After reviewing your letter and discussing this matter with members of our staff, we concur with your request for a vehicle larger than a Class II (compact) sedan that will provide sufficient power for the additional security systems. Therefore, you are authorized to make an open-market procurement of a Class IV vehicle.

While granting this exemption will enable the CIA to acquire a vehicle rated below the 1981 average fuel economy standard of 22 miles per gallon, the vehicle must be included in the calculation of your overall fleet average fuel economy rating for fiscal year 1981.

Please call me at 275-0649 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

ALLAN W. BERES Commissioner